

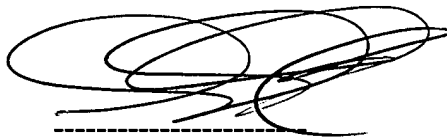
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REMARKS

Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 3, 6, and 9 are pending in the application. By this amendment, claims 1-2, 4-5, and 7-8 are canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer. Claim 6 is amended to correct a minor grammatical error. Applicants also elect Group II, claims 3, 6, and 9, without traverse. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application which includes claims 1-2, 4-5, and 7-8, at a later date.

Applicants request examination on the merits. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below, if needed.

Respectfully submitted,
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